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RE:

ASHRAE IAQ Course / Smoking Lounges

At the Indoor Air Quality course I attended last week, I had the opportunity to talk with several design engineers about smoking lounges. It is a fact that many building owners and company officials do not want to ban smoking. Due to pressure from employees and the threat of litigation, many are providing smoking lounges. However, many lounges are poorly designed. As a consequence, when the industrial hygienist took measurements in the lounges, CO, CO2, and particulate levels were too high. One of the engineers told me he knows of several situations where the lounges were actually closed because of unacceptable performance. This situation resulted in a total smoking ban at the workplace. Management attempted accommodation but failed. Employees were told the decision for a total smoking ban was made because of the unacceptable performance of the smoking lounge.

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